

IN THE SPECIFICATION

The following amendment has been made to comport with the new drawings. Please accept and enter the following amendment to the specification at page 2 in the Brief description of the Drawings" section.

Please replace this paragraph:

Brief description of the Drawings

Fig. 1 Sequence of events showing (a) a hiker hiking (b) a hiker encountering a bear (c) the hiker activating the device of the invention (d) the bear fleeing in terror.

With this paragraph (additions shown underlined):

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Fig. 2 shows the inflatable figure of the invention (10) inflating and deploying from an item of luggage (20), such as a back-pack.

Fig. 3 shows the inflatable figure of the invention (10) deploying from a walking stick (30). The walking stick is hollow and possesses a hinged cap (40) that may be flipped open to deploy the inflatable figure. In this figure, a device for providing smoke (60) is also shown, with smoke (90) shown billowing outwards. A device for projecting projectiles (50) is also shown, with projectiles (70) being projected in a direction indicated by the arrows (80).

Fig. 4 shows an item of clothing (100) that had integrated into it a pocket (110) containing the inflatable device of the invention, and further provided with a rip-cord (120) that is pulled to activate and deploy the device.